

The Pocahontas Times.

If thou would'st read a lesson that will keep Thy heart from fainting and thy soul from sleep, Go to the woods and hills.—Longfellow.

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SEPTEMBER.
WHO doth not love the soft September days
When summer lingers lovingly, and faint
Would say farewell! But with her train
Of winged subjects, in the golden haze
She vanishes so silently, we raise
No cry of anguish, for no parting pain
Disturbs our bliss,—our loss we count but gain.
Yet, 'tis a while dear September's name we praise,
The swallow tempts his wings to longer flight;
The grasses fade; the brown leaves flutter down;
Full ripe, the thistle tops and milkweed blows
Fall aloft on airy pinions light,
And haste to catch at fleeting summer's gown—
Stay!—Hark! she goes! The faint wind sighs,
"Who lovest thou?"

*—Monche Elizabeth Wade,
in Everybody's Magazine.*

The Great Rocky Mountain Rescuer of Yaller Dogs.
Secretary Spates, the silver-tongued and gilt-edged mouth organ of Wyoming, expressed a wish the other day for a dog. He had a light yellow cane and wanted a dog to match. He said that he wanted something to love. If he could wake up in the stillness of the night and hear his faithful dog fighting fleas, and licking his chops, and coughing, he (the Secretary) would feel as though he was beloved one. Some friends thought it would be a pleasant thing to surprise Mr. Spates with a dog. So they procured a duplicate key to his room and organized themselves into a dog vigilance committee. There were several yellow dogs around Cheyenne that were not in use, and their owners consented to part with them and try to control their grief while they worried along from day to day without them. These dogs were collected and placed in the secretary's room.

Throwing a heterogeneous mass of dogs together in that way, and all of them total strangers to each other, in the natural course of things creates something of a disturbance, and that was the result in this case. When the secretary arrived, the dogs were holding a session with closed doors. The presiding officer had lost control, and a surging crowd of yellow dogs had the floor. Only one dog was excepted. He was struggling with all his strength against the most colossal attack of colic that ever convulsed a pale yellow dog. Just as he would get to feeling kind of comfortable a spasm would catch him on the starboard quarter and his back would hump itself like a 1,000-legged worm, and with such force as to thump the floor with the stumpy tail of the demoralized dog and jar the bric-a-brac on the brackets and what-nots of the Secretary of Wyoming Territory.

Just then the secretary arrived. He was whistling a trill or two from the "Turkish Patrol," when he got within earshot of the convention. Several people met him and asked him what was going on in his room. The secretary blushed and said he guessed there was nothing out of character, and wondered if some one was putting up a cooking story on him, to kill a Spates boom.

When he got to the door and went in, thirty-seven dogs ran between his legs, and went out the door with a good deal of intensity. More of them would have run between the secretary's legs, but they couldn't all make it.

Mr. Spates was mad. He felt hurt and grieved. The dogs had jumped on the bed and torn the pillow shams into minute bandages, had whiped their feet on the coverlid. They had licked the blacking off his boots, and eaten his toilet soap. One of them had tried on the secretary's dressing gown; but it was not large enough, and he had taken it off in a good deal of a hurry.

Long after it was supposed that the last dog had gone out, yellow dogs, of different degrees of yellowishness, and moving in irregular orbits, would be thrown from the secretary's room with great force. Some of them were killed, while others were painfully

injured. It is said that there are fewer yellow dogs in Cheyenne now than there used to be, and those that are more subdued, and reserved and taciturn, and skinned on the back, than they used to be; while the secretary has a far-away look in his eye, like a man who has trusted humanity once too often, and been everlasting and unanimously left.

Top of Alleghany.
I have seen nothing from this place lately, and I will give you a few items although news seems, very scarce.
The farmers have been making good use of the fine weather lately by getting up their hay and oats.
Quite a number of cattle passed through last week to be carried to Bartow.
The Sunday School at this place is progressing nicely.
John H. Beverage who had the misfortune to get his leg bruised about three weeks ago while hauling telephone poles, is not able to walk yet without a crutch.
Providence permitting the church here will be dedicated the second Sunday in September. There will be two sermons and dinner on the ground. Come out everybody, and bring your pocket book along.
Miss Pearl Sherman, of Augusta county, has been visiting relatives in this section.
There was a battle near the old battle ground last week, but fortunately no one was killed.
Uriah Bird and John P. Townsend were assisting some surveyors, who are working for the Cameron Company on Laurel Fork, last week.
Gus Eskridge and Squire Riley expect to finish painting the church next week.
The supper given by Miss Kate Collins Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Pearl Sherman, her niece was greatly enjoyed by all present.
John Kramer and Geo. Dudley passed here Saturday on their way home from Bartow.
Pete Shinaberry was looking after his interests in this section Sunday.
Adam Collins of Hosterman, was in our neighborhood Sunday.

THE LATE W. T. BEARD
A Paper Commemorative of the Useful Life.
Distinguished Among Our Citizenship as a Prominent Man of Affairs.
The long and useful life lived by the late William Thomas Beard, a much honored citizen of Pocahontas county who departed this life so recently is deserving of an appreciative biographic notice.
His was typical character of our citizenship, for he was born and reared, educated and passed his entire life within the limits of our county, and that too in the vicinity of his ancestral home.

He was born January 29, 1826, at Locust in the Lower Levels, and was the eldest of a family of eight sons and three daughters.
His father, Josiah Beard, Esq., was the first clerk of the courts of Pocahontas county, and his name is prominent among the citizens that were leaders in county affairs during the formation period of our county history.

Upon retiring from official life, Mr. Beard settled on Locust Creek where he accumulated an immense landed estate. His personal influence was for strict integrity in all business relations, sobriety in his personal habits, intellectual improvements, sincere and unobtrusive piety.
The mother of our lamented friend was Miss Rachel Cameron Poague of Marlins Bottom and Mrs. Nancy Warwick Poague, daughter of the pioneer Jacob Warwick and Mrs. Mary Vance Warwick.

Mrs. Beard was a very estimable person and her memory is specially cherished by the writer of this memorial tribute to her first born son, who was the son of a mother whose ancestry is honored by such names as John Poague, prominent pioneer of Augusta county, Elizabeth Preston, Jacob Warwick and Mary Vance.
Thus it was that both of his parents were of pure Scotch Irish ancestry, and inherited the best traits of that remarkable people.
Mr. and Mrs. Beard endeavored to have their sons and daughters to live worthily of such a lineage, and so make society the gainer by their presence and personal influence.

In early boyhood our friend attended the "old field" schools in reach of his home.
Fortunately for him and scores of others, Rev. Joseph Brown opened his classical school at Hillsboro in 1842. Among his first pupils in the classics and higher mathematics, was Wm. T. Beard, whose diligence and success in study attracted special attention. Thus it was several of his earlier years were occupied in liberal studies directed by Rev. Joseph Brown and Rev. M. D. Dunlap.
When he closed his attendance at school, he was justly regarded as one of the most liberally educated and talented young citizens of his time.

January 22, 1850, he and Miss Mary Gillian McNeel, were married. She was the only daughter of Richard McNeel and Mrs. Lydia Edmiston McNeel, was a person of very pronounced excellence of character and it is nothing more than just to remark, that her only daughter, is truly worthy of such an estimable mother.
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Beard had been acquainted and attached from early youth, and they were evidently "all the world" to each other. The relation of husband and wife so auspiciously entered upon continued nearly fifty-six years. Their sons Charles Edgar and Matthew Lee, are among the most widely known and respected of the present citizenship, for their personal integrity and social standing.
Mr. Beard upon his marriage went into business as a farmer and grazier and achieved a notable success and became one of the leading men of the community, a diligent successful and intelligent farmer, in my opinion the

highest type of the American citizen. He was elected a justice of the peace just prior to the war and served as such a portion of not all the four years of wartime. The notable Hartsook murder case was tried before him, which proved to be a very tedious and troublesome affair before it was disposed of.
But few if any appeals were ever made from his rulings. Early in the reconstruction period succeeding the war he was elected a member of the West Virginia Legislature.
But such were his conscientious scruples as to the propriety of taking the oath of office, that he declined to do so.

He was united with the Oak Grove church, (Presbyterian) December 7, 1879. On the second Sabbath of March 1881, he was chosen a Ruling Elder, and was ordained and installed the tenth day of April following. He faithfully endeavored to meet the duties that came to hand, in the joint management of church affairs as he was given to see them.
Like his venerated father, he was unpretentious, not letting the left hand know what the right hand would do, as it were.
Instead of placing a fifty dollar note in the plate in view of all present, this Ruling Elder put it in the confidential keeping of his pastor to be used for Foreign Missions, with the remark he could not see why Christian people did not do more for the heathen, if they really believed in the reality and power of their religion. It is my impression this is about the first time the public has been informed where that fifty dollar contribution came from, made so many years ago and which seemed so much towards giving an available reputation to the Oak Grove congregation for liberality.

Finally there came an ending to his long quiet but useful life, to the infirmities of his 80th year aggravated by injuries resulting some years previously from a well nigh fatal fall on the frozen ground.
It was a gloom giving time throughout our great county when it was phoned, that about 3 p. m. August 9, 1905 this honored citizen had fallen asleep in Jesus. Yet at the same moment all felt sure that henceforth he would be safe from the world's temptations, safe from the corroding cares and by the arms of his living Redeemer overshadowing, his soul would sweetly rest.
The next afternoon, home funeral services were led by Rev. D. S. Sydenstricker, D. D., so many years his pastor.
An audience whose presence would honour a memory far more pretentious than what he ever aspired to, assembled to attend, his remains to their final resting place and with those sympathizing ones, his name will live for years to come, embalmed with all their hearts can give their praises and their tears. On McNeel Hill and near the spot, where is one of the first places in our whole country set apart for the worship of God, Wm. T. Beard was buried and there may he rest, until called to rise and see that morning break upon the world, when our Blessed Lord comes to take of his great power to reign on the earth.
"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again even so them also that sleep in Jesus will God bring with him."
Wherefore comfort one another with these words." 1 Thess. 4, 14-18.

Resolution.
We, the teachers of Pocahontas County in Institute assembled, pass the following resolutions:
FIRST. Be it resolved, that the present system of "uniform examinations" of W. Va., as carried into effect, is attended with grave faults, viz time required for examination of manuscripts, accurateness of grading, and a consideration of the conditions as they exist at various points.
SECOND. That these objections are of such a nature that they may be eradicated by proper legislation without abolishing the present system.
THIRD. That it is the duty of the Legislature to examine critically into the educational conditions as they do now exist throughout our State, and to effect such legislation as shall at least reduce to a minimum the evils attendant upon the examination.

IV. Be it resolved, therefore, that a capable and efficient board of examiners be appointed by the State Superintendent, the members to retain their positions for at least six years; one-third being appointed every two years; that there be perfect co-operation between this State Board of examiners and the County Boards; and that length of service and satisfactory work receive due consideration at the hands of the board.

V. As a further aid to perfecting the uniform system, be it resolved, that the State be made the unit of taxation for all public school purposes, that the salaries of teachers, the length of school term, and the text books be made uniform throughout the State.
VI. Resolved, That we express our thanks to our State Superintendent Thos. C. Miller, for his presence among us, and for his words of inspiration and encouragement to us in our work. We feel that there is a better understanding between us for the meeting and we hereby extend to our Superintendent a cordial invitation to be with us as often as his numerous and trying tasks will allow.

VII. Resolved, That the sincere thanks of the teachers of Pocahontas County are due our instructors, Profs. A. S. Bell and H. I. Jenkins, and our county Superintendent, J. B. Grimes, for the earnest and efficient manner in which they have conducted our Institute.
VIII. Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the Legislature of West Virginia for their wise course in fixing a higher scale of salaries for the teachers in this State, and also to the members of the Boards of Education in Pocahontas County, who have fixed a higher scale of salaries than the minimum scale fixed by the honorable Legislative body of the State.

IX. Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the many courtesies that we have received at the hands of the people of Marlinton, especially are our thanks due the County Court for the use of their spacious apartments in which we have conducted our sessions and the Marlinton Orchestra for the excellent musical program rendered. To Dr. Reynolds of the University of W. Va., for his most helpful addresses to our body, and to all others who have contributed to our instruction and entertainment we give our heartfelt thanks.
X. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Supt. T. C. Miller, the W. Va., School Journal, THE POCAHONTAS TIMES, and the Marlinton Messenger.

LABOR DAY
A Proclamation by the Governor.
The laws of West Virginia having made the first Monday in September of each year a holiday and designated it as Labor Day, therefore,
I, William M. O. Dawson, Governor of the said State, do hereby proclaim that
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 1905, is Labor Day and a legal holiday in West Virginia, and recommend that all factories, shops, mines and other places where persons are engaged at labor be closed, and that the day be fittingly, appropriately and patriotically observed by all the people as befitting us as citizens of one of the greatest States of the greatest and most glorious nation in the history of the world. As labor conquers all things, and as there is no excellence without great labor, and as every one ought to be a worker and no one ought to be a parasite, therefore every one is interested in the upholding of the true dignity of labor. Let us on this day meet together as a people having a common end and a common destiny, and seriously consider and discuss questions which concern our common welfare, to the end that capital may always willingly yield to labor labor's full reward and just rights, and labor cheerfully concede to capital's just share and full rights, so that between capital and labor there may be peace and cooperation.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at Capitol in the City of Charleston, in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and five, and in the forty-third year of the State.
WM. M. O. DAWSON,
C. N. SWINER,
Secretary of State.

Real Estate Transfers
Deeds recorded in the Clerk's office of Pocahontas County West Virginia for the week ending August 28, 1905.
Maggie F. Cleek to R. W. Hill, Admr. 81 acres, W. H. Cleek's estate, Knapps Creek.
Harper M. Laughlin to Pocahontas Development Co., 1 acre in Marlinton, cemetery lot.
W. W. Kennison to J. W. Sheets a lot of saved timber in Seebert.
Annetta Weeford to C. G. Morrison, interest in tract of land on Greenbrier River, \$50.
Verdie B. Mann to O. A. Dougherty house and lot in Marlinton.
A. M. V. Arbogast to J. D. and T. C. Jack, lot 10, block 1, town of Arbogast, \$100.
Peter D. Yeager to Craig Lumber Co., lot on Little River, \$50.
D. L. Hill to D. A. Tharp 50 acres on Hills Creek.
S. L. Brown, Clerk of the County Court to Pocahontas Development Company, 10 lots in Marlinton sold for taxes.
S. L. Brown, Clerk of the County Court, to L. M. McClintic 1,600 acres on West Fork River, sold for non-payment of taxes 1903.
Clover Creek Cattle Co., to Edward C. Platt 352 acres on Chestnut flat, head of Clover Creek Edray District.
E. D. McClintic to Geo. McClintic, interest in H. H. McClintic's estate, \$1,000.
C. K. Durbin to Madara A. F. Carr, 21 acres on Greenbrier River, adjoining Joseph Friel, \$52.50.
A. M. Arbogast to F. J. Allman, lot 15, block 2, town of Dunlevie.
E. M. Arbogast, G. W. Mohn and W. A. Bratton to Florence E. Wood and M. Lura Moore, lot 1, block 35, town of Bartow.
Same to Florence E. Wood, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 35, town of Bartow.
E. W. and G. W. Campbell to Campbell Lumber Co., interest in certain tracts of land on Williams River.
Campbell Lumber Co., to Marlinton & Camden Railway Co., rights of way through all lands owned party of the first part.
Cora I. Cunningham to John T. McGraw 523 acres on Marlinton mountain, "Moore land."
Clayton Dilley to A. L. Dilley, 13 square rods, part of Jake Waugh tract.

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